

# REAL ID Update

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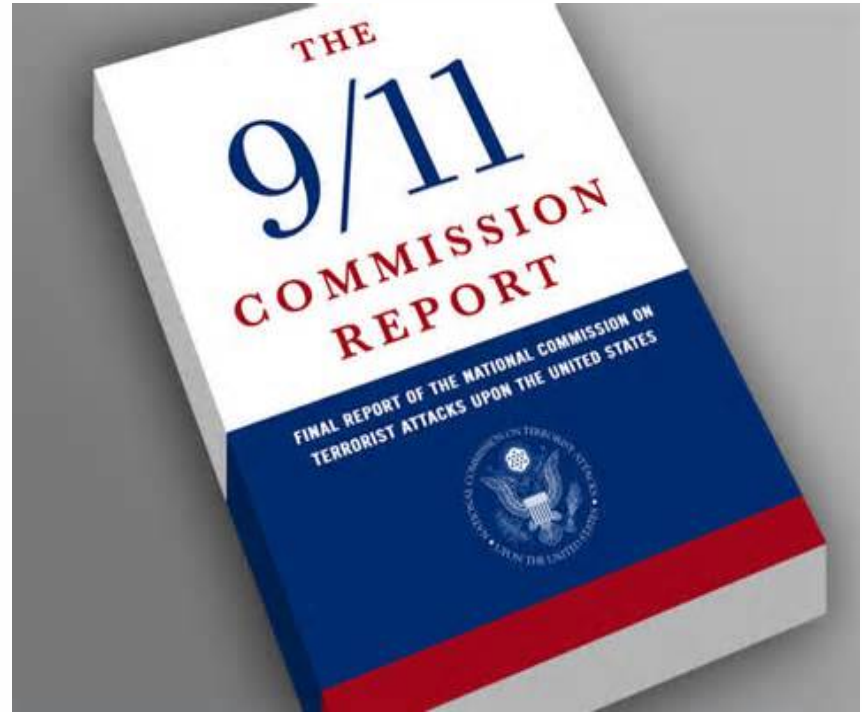
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# REAL ID Act Overview

“The federal government should set standards for the issuance of birth certificates and sources of identification, such as driver’s licenses. ...

*Sources of identification are the last opportunity to ensure that people are who they say they are and to check whether they are terrorists.”*

*--9/11 Commission Report  
p.390*



# REAL ID Act Overview

- ❑ Establishes minimum standards for the secure issuance of state-issued driver's licenses and identification cards.
- ❑ Prohibits Federal agencies from accepting for official purposes driver's licenses and identification cards from non-compliant states. These purposes are:
  - Accessing Federal facilities
  - Boarding federally regulated commercial aircraft
  - Entering nuclear power plants
- ❑ Covers 56 jurisdictions: 50 states, DC and 5 territories.
- ❑ Authorizes DHS to:
  - Issue regulations and set standards
  - Determine whether a state is meeting the minimum standards based on certifications submitted by the state
  - Grant states an extensions of time to meet the compliance deadline if the state provides adequate justification for noncompliance
  - Make grants to states

# REAL ID Act Overview

## DOES:

- ❑ **Require presentation & verification of documentation showing:**
  - *Full legal name*
  - *Date of birth*
  - *Social Security Number*
  - *Address of principal residence and*
  - *Evidence of lawful status*
- ❑ **Require Card Design to Include:**
  - *Biographic information, digital photo, signature, & card number*
  - *Physical/Anti-counterfeit security features*
  - *Common machine-readable technology*
- ❑ **Require Safeguards for the Issuance and Production of Licenses**
  - *Copy & retain source document information*
  - *Secure production facilities & document materials and*
  - *Background checks & fraudulent document training for employees*

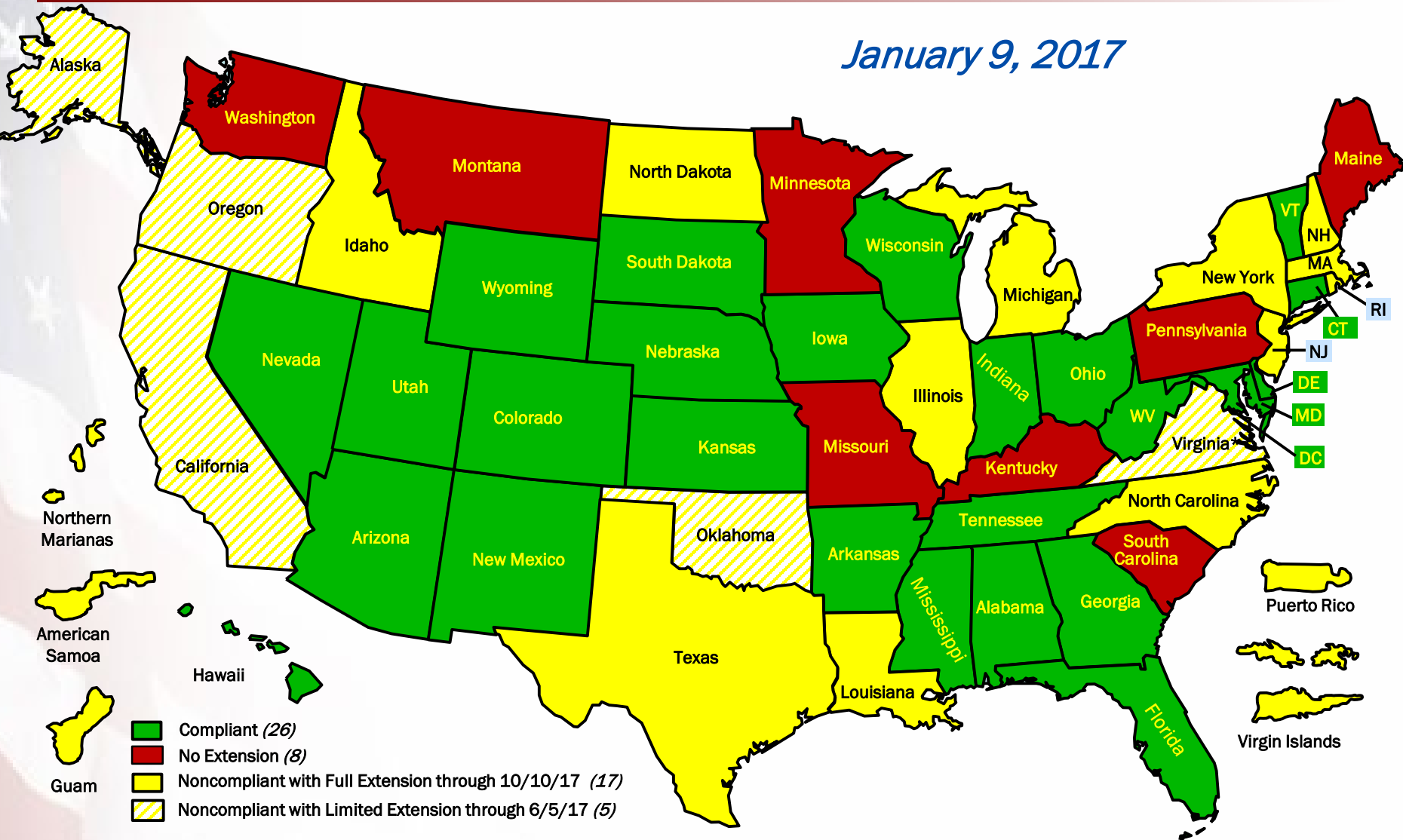
## DOES NOT:

- ❑ **Does not create a national ID card, a Federal database of driver information, or new Federal access to state data**
- ❑ **Does not authorize DHS to regulate issuance of driver's licenses and identification cards by states**
  - *State participation is voluntary.*
  - *Consequences for not meeting the standards*
- ❑ **Does not prevent any state from issuing noncompliant driver's licenses or identification cards**
  - *Noncompliant cards must incorporate a unique design and clearly indicate that the document may not be accepted for official purposes*



# REAL ID Status of States - Before

January 9, 2017





# REAL ID Updates

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- ❑ **Residents of Freely Associated States**
- ❑ **Acceptance of Marked Noncompliant Cards**
- ❑ **National REAL ID Adoption Numbers**
- ❑ **REAL ID Issuance Streamlining Proposals**
- ❑ **Mobile Driver's Licenses**

# REAL ID Phased Enforcement

Phase	REAL ID Official Purposes	Full Enforcement
1	Restricted areas for DHS HQ	04/21/2014
2	Restricted areas for Federal facilities & nuclear power plants	07/21/2014
3	<b>Semi-restricted areas for Federal facilities</b> <i>(i.e., Facilities where public can access but must present ID)</i>	
3a	<i>Federal Security Levels 1 and 2</i>	01/19/2015
3b	<i>Federal Security Levels 3,4, and 5; military facilities</i>	10/10/2015
4	<b>Boarding Commercial Aircraft</b>	
4a	<i>Passengers from noncompliant states without extensions ("state-based")</i>	1/22/2018
4b	<i>Passengers from all states without compliant documents ("card-based")</i>	<b>10/1/2020</b>



# TSA REAL ID Enforcement

- ❑ What happens if I show up without a REAL ID-compliant driver's license or state ID?
  - Starting October 1, 2020, every traveler will need to present a REAL ID-compliant license or another acceptable form of identification to fly within the U.S.
  - Passengers who are unable to verify their identity will not be permitted through the security checkpoint.

# Alternative ID Documents

- ❑ **U.S. passport**
- ❑ **U.S. passport card**
- ❑ **Enhanced Driver's License (EDL) – Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Washington, and Vermont**
- ❑ **DHS trusted traveler cards (Global Entry, NEXUS, SENTRI, FAST)**
- ❑ **U.S. military ID (active duty or retired military and their dependents, and DoD civilians)**
- ❑ **U.S. Merchant Mariner Credential**
- ❑ **Permanent resident card**
- ❑ **Border crossing card**
- ❑ **Federally recognized, tribal-issued photo ID**
- ❑ **HSPD-12 PIV card**
- ❑ **Foreign government-issued passport**
- ❑ **Canadian provincial driver's license or Indian and Northern Affairs Canada card**
- ❑ **Transportation worker identification credential (TWIC)**
- ❑ **Immigration and Naturalization Service Employment Authorization Card (I-766)**

# REAL ID Public Outreach

## ❑ State Activities

- Website: FAQs, videos, stories, graphics, press releases
- Social media blasts, Targeted follow up to drivers
- Mailing inserts, reminder cards, publications, handouts, brochures
- Community information sessions, Town hall meetings
- Email notifications, Office signage, video loops, mobile office/car wraps
- Call centers, Automated messages while on hold
- Newspaper and magazine ads, Paid media/advertising

## ❑ Federal Government Activities

- DHS Websites: State Compliance Status, FAQs, Authorities, REAL ID Marketing Toolkit – Signs, videos, bookmarks, REAL ID examples
- TSA checkpoint area: signage, videos, and verbal reminders [NEW]
- Engagement with Travel Industry and State/National Associations
- Federal Interagency Security Committee: signage and best practices

## ❑ Industry Activities

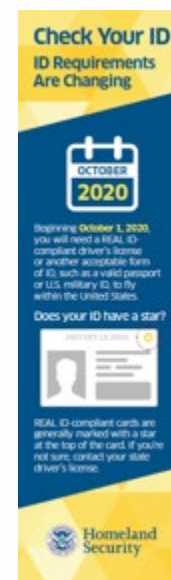
- Surveys to assess traveler awareness
- Notifications and reminders to customers
- Additional efforts underway



# For More Information:

## ❑ DHS REAL ID websites

- [www.dhs.gov/real-id](http://www.dhs.gov/real-id).
- [www.tsa.gov/real-id](http://www.tsa.gov/real-id).



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